TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 322 - SB 581

March 3, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the usage of cell phones while driving in an activated school zone. Classifies a violation as a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a \$50 fine only.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - \$3,800

Increase Local Revenue – \$200

Assumptions:

- The Department of Safety estimates 100 violations per year at a fine of \$50 per violation.
- An 80 percent collection rate for fines.
- Local court clerks receive five percent of fine revenue; the state receives the remaining 95 percent.
- An increase in recurring state revenue of \$3,800 (100 violations x \$50 fine x 80% x 95%).
- An increase in local government revenue for county clerks of \$200 (100 violations x \$50 fine x 80% x 5%).
- Any increase in state or local expenditures to enforce the provisions of this bill will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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